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JANIS MEMORANDUM No. 16

Subject: Organization of JANIS of Western New Guinea (JANIS No. 157).

1. Treatment of area as a whole.

All of Western New Guinea may be treated as a unit. If it is necessary to treat it by parts the subdivisions and organization given in paragraphs 2 and 3 below will be used.

2. Regional divisions (see map issued to ONI, MID, A-2 and OCS).

Area A. Northeastern Netherlands New Guinea.

The New Guinea mainland north and east of the divide west of longitude 141° W, and south of Windesi on the west coast of Wandammen Bay. Close offshore islands and those south of Koeredoe Strait included.

Area B. Japen, Schouten and Mapia Islands.

An island group consisting of the Mapia, Schouten and Padaido Islands, Noemfoer, Mois Noem and Japen and all the small islands adjacent to these, including those north of Koeroedoe Strait.

Area C. Waigeo.

Waigeo and the Ajoe Islands and all the small islands, including those north of adjacent Dampier Strait.

Area D. Vogelkop.

The Vogelkop Peninsula and the adjacent islands south of Dampier Strait. The western limit taken in Broken Island, excludes Schildpad and Mesloe Besar. The southern limit follows the center of MacCluer and Bintoeni Gulfs and crosses the isthmus to Windeshi.

Area E. Bombarai.

The New Guinea mainland south of MacCluer and Bintoeni Gulfs and west of the divide from the isthmus to the head of Etua Bay, including the close offshore islands.

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Area F. Southwest New Guinea.

The New Guinea mainland south of the divide, east of Lakahia Etna Bays and west of longitude 141° W., including the close offshore islands.

These areas conform to those used in the Allied Geographical Section Terrain Studies, with the following exceptions:

Area A excludes some of the Geelvink Bay islands included in ACS 61.

Area B is an added area, including some islands in ACS 61 and the Mopia Islands.

Area C is an added area.

3. Organization of text.

Material under each topic will be arranged by the above areas, except for the general description topics. The following sample for Chapter III illustrates the organization:

CHAPTER III

OCEANOGRAPHY, COASTS AND LANDING PLACES

30. General Description.

(A general description of Oceanography, Coasts and Landing Places for all of Western New Guinea.)

31. Oceanography.

(Introductory unnumbered paragraph, summarizing oceanography for all Western New Guinea, somewhat more detailed than under topic 30.)

A. Northeastern Netherlands New Guinea

- (1) Tides
- (2) Tidal currents
- (3) Non-tidal currents
- (4) Seas and swells
- (5) General discussions of hydrographic factors
- (6) Surface and sub-surface temperatures
- (7) Surface and sub-surface salinity
- (8) Density
- (9) Bottom sediments
- (10) Acoustic conditions
- (11) Transparency and color of water
- (12) Biological factors

- B. Japen, Schouten and Mapia Islands
(numbers 1 thru 12 as in sub-topic A above)
- C. Waigeo
(numbers 1 thru 12 as in sub-topic A above)
- D. Vogelkop
(numbers 1 thru 12 as in sub-topic A above)
- E. Bombarai
(numbers 1 thru 12 as in sub-topic A above)
- F. Southwest New Guinea
(numbers 1 thru 12 as in sub-topic A above)

4. Change in outline guide.

a. Chapter numbers five through eight (topics 50 - 89) have been rearranged as follows and will be used in all future JANIS studies:

<u>New Chapter Number</u>	<u>New Topic Numbers</u>		<u>Old Chapter Number</u>
V	50 - 53	Port Facilities	VIII
VI	60 - 68	Transportation and Communication	VII
VII	70 - 73	Cities and Towns	V
VIII	80 - 87	Resources and Trade	VI

b. The order of topics in Chapter VI, Transportation and Communication has been changed as follows:

<u>New Topic Number</u>		<u>Old Topic Number</u>
60	General topic	70
	A. Transportation	
	B. Communication	
61	Railroads	74
62	Roads	75
63	Civil and Commercial Aviation	76
64	Merchant Marine	77
65	Inland Water Transport	78
66	Radio and Special Wireless Services	71
67	Telegraph, Telephone and Submarine Cable	72
68	Postal Service	73

5. Base Map.

a. All maps covering the whole area will be prepared as overlays to the attached base map. When printed, the map will be reduced 50% of its present linear dimensions (25% of the area). Exceptions may be made after consultation with the JICPB.

b. All maps covering portions of the area should be prepared as overlays to the attached base map. Exceptions may be made after consultation with the JISPB.

6. Spellings of Names.

Spellings of names will conform to those given in the Gazetteer To Maps of New Guinea, compiled by the U.S. Board on Geographical Names and issued by the Army Map Service in November 1943. Place names not given in the Gazetteer will be underlined.

7. Deadline.

All copy (manuscript, maps, photographs, etc.) will be submitted on or before 15 January 1944.